

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please enter the attached sequence listing of AAK06214 and CRF version thereof to the present specification.

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

1-11. (Cancelled).

12. (Currently Amended) An expression cassette comprising:

a) a bacterial promoter, p<sub>Zn</sub>, comprising a binding site for the *Lactococcus lactis* ZitR protein, which site comprises the following sequence:

AAAAATAANGTNNNNNNNTTGACATTATTTT

(SEQ ID NO:1)

in which TTGACA is the -35 box of said promoter, and N represents A, C, G or T; and

b) a sequence encoding a polypeptide with at least 80% 85% identity with the a *Lactococcus lactis* ZitR protein encoded by nucleotide 357-794 of SEQ ID NO: 9, placed under